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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 2 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 31 March 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☒ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

Claim Objections

Claims 1, 6, 11, 16 are objected to because of the following informalities:

Claim 1, page 11, line 9, the 2nd occurrence of "source" should correctly be --drain--.

Claim 1, page 11, **lines 11, 13**, "DC reference voltage" should correctly be --ground--. Note, V_{DD} is the DC reference voltage and that "capacitor (22)" and "a DC current path" do not coupled to V_{DD} .

Claim 6, page 12, line 8, "source" should correctly be --drain--.

Claim 6, page 12, **lines 9, 11**, "DC reference voltage" should correctly be --ground--. Note, V_{DD} is the DC reference voltage and that "capacitor (22)" and "a DC current path" do not coupled to V_{DD} .

Claim 11, page 13, line 2, "**the** input node" should correctly be --an input node--.

Claim 11, page 13, line 5, "a emitter" should correctly be --an emitter--.

Claim 11, page 13, **lines 10, 12**, "DC reference voltage" should correctly be

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--ground--. Note, V_{DD} is the DC reference voltage and that "capacitor (22)" and "a DC current path" do not coupled to V_{DD} .

Claim 16, page 14, lines 11, 13, "DC reference voltage" should correctly be --ground--. Note, V_{DD} is the DC reference voltage and that "capacitor (22)" and "a DC current path" do not coupled to V_{DD} .

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO MONTHS** from the mailing date of this letter.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-20 are allowed.

Claims 1-20 call for, among others, a common gate FET (M0), a diode-connected FET (1), and a capacitance (22) having the connections as claimed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Khanh V. Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-1767. The examiner can normally be reached from 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert Pascal can be reached on (571) 272-1769. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 872-9306 for regular communications and (703) 872-9306 for After Final communications.

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